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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: CONNECTING DUCT FOR FLUID COMPRESSION SYSTEM  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Specification - 11 pages; Claims - 4 pages, including 4 independent claims and 20 claims total; Abstract - 1 page (total 16 pages).
2. Drawings - 3 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-3).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (1 page).
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Caterpillar Inc. (3 pages).
5. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$ 750.00
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7. A check for \$874.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$750.00 filing fee; and  
\$ 84.00 additional claim fee; and  
\$ 40.00 for the Assignment recordation fee is also enclosed.

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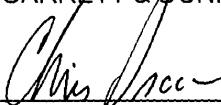
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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record  
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